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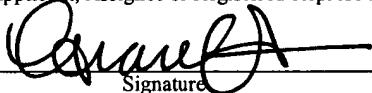
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Masaru KIDOH et al.
U.S. Serial No. : 10/786,442
Filing Date : February 25, 2004
For : **SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE HAVING BIT-LINE
CONTACTS, AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE
SAME**
Examiner : Edward Joseph Wojciechowicz
Group Art Unit : 2815

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 26, 2005, setting a one-month period for reply and asserting a restriction requirement, Applicants elect Group I (claims 1-12), without traverse, for further prosecution in this application.

Applicants reserve the right to file divisional applications to non-elected subject matter.

If any issues remain, or if the Examiner has any further suggestions, he is invited to call the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

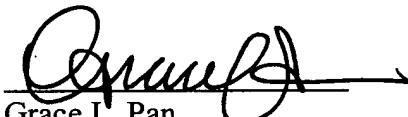
The Examiner is hereby authorized to charge any insufficient fees or credit any overpayment associated with the above-identified application to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

The Examiner's consideration of this matter is gratefully acknowledged.

Respectfully submitted,

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